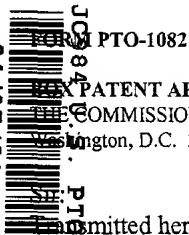


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## PATENT APPLICATION

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For: SYSTEMS AND METHODS FOR MULTIPLE MODE VOICE AND DATA COMMUNICATIONS HAVING INTELLIGENTLY BRIDGED TDM AND PACKET BUSES, AND TELEPHONY STATION CARDS INCLUDING VOLTAGE GENERATORS

This is a Continuation-in-Part of Application Serial No. 09/055,072, filed 4/3/98, now U.S. Patent No. 6,181,694, Issued 1/30/2001, and pending Application Serial No. 09/055,036, filed 4/3/98.

Enclosed are:

☒ 8 sheets of informal drawings.

☒ The parent cases are assigned to Applicant Vertical Networks, Inc. on 11/16/98 at Reel 9590, Frames 0646, and 0657.

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☒ Applicant is a Small Entity.

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